

**Fill in this information to identify your case:**

United States Bankruptcy Court for the:

Northern District of Illinois

Case number (if known): \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter you are filing under:

- ☒ Chapter 7  
☐ Chapter 11  
☐ Chapter 12  
☐ Chapter 13

☐ Check if this is an amended filing

**Official Form 101**

**Voluntary Petition for Individuals Filing for Bankruptcy**

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The bankruptcy forms use *you* and *Debtor 1* to refer to a debtor filing alone. A married couple may file a bankruptcy case together—called a *joint case*—and in joint cases, these forms use *you* to ask for information from both debtors. For example, if a form asks, “Do you own a car,” the answer would be yes if either debtor owns a car. When information is needed about the spouses separately, the form uses *Debtor 1* and *Debtor 2* to distinguish between them. In joint cases, one of the spouses must report information as *Debtor 1* and the other as *Debtor 2*. The same person must be *Debtor 1* in all of the forms.

Be as complete and accurate as possible. If two married people are filing together, both are equally responsible for supplying correct information. If more space is needed, attach a separate sheet to this form. On the top of any additional pages, write your name and case number (if known). Answer every question.

**Part 1: Identify Yourself**

**1. Your full name**

Write the name that is on your government-issued picture identification (for example, your driver's license or passport).

Bring your picture identification to your meeting with the trustee.

**About Debtor 1:**

Samir

First name

Middle name

Jakupovic

Last name

Suffix (Sr., Jr., II, III)

**About Debtor 2 (Spouse Only in a Joint Case):**

First name

Middle name

Last name

Suffix (Sr., Jr., II, III)

**2. All other names you have used in the last 8 years**

Include your married or maiden names and any assumed, trade names and *doing business as* names.

Do NOT list the name of any separate legal entity such as a corporation, partnership, or LLC that is not filing this petition.

First name

Middle name

Last name

First name

Middle name

Last name

Business name (if applicable)

Business name (if applicable)

First name

Middle name

Last name

First name

Middle name

Last name

Business name (if applicable)

Business name (if applicable)

**3. Only the last 4 digits of your Social Security number or federal Individual Taxpayer Identification number (ITIN)**

xxx - xx - 1 2 7 1

OR

9 xx - xx -

xxx - xx -

OR

9 xx - xx -

|   |   |                              |
|---|---|------------------------------|
| Debtor 1  | <b>Samir Jakupovic</b><br><small>First Name Middle Name Last Name</small> | Case number (if known) _____ |
| <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"><div style="width: 48%;"><p style="text-align: center;"><b>About Debtor 1:</b></p><p><b>4. Your Employer Identification Number (EIN), if any.</b></p><p>EIN _____</p><p>EIN _____</p></div><div style="width: 48%;"><p style="text-align: center;"><b>About Debtor 2 (Spouse Only in a Joint Case):</b></p><p>EIN _____</p><p>EIN _____</p></div></div>   |   |                              |
| <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"><div style="width: 48%;"><p><b>5. Where you live</b></p><p>8372 West Sunnyside Avenue</p><p>Number Street</p><p>_____</p><p>Norridge IL 60706</p><p>City State ZIP Code</p><p>Cook</p><p>County</p><p>If your mailing address is different from the one above, fill it in here. Note that the court will send any notices to you at this mailing address.</p><p>Number Street</p><p>_____</p><p>P.O. Box</p><p>_____</p><p>City State ZIP Code</p></div><div style="width: 48%;"><p><b>If Debtor 2 lives at a different address:</b></p><p>Number Street</p><p>_____</p><p>City State ZIP Code</p><p>County</p><p>If Debtor 2's mailing address is different from yours, fill it in here. Note that the court will send any notices to this mailing address.</p><p>Number Street</p><p>_____</p><p>P.O. Box</p><p>_____</p><p>City State ZIP Code</p></div></div> |   |                              |
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Debtor 1

**Samir Jakupovic**

First Name Middle Name Last Name

Case number (if known)

**Part 2: Tell the Court About Your Bankruptcy Case**

**7. The chapter of the Bankruptcy Code you are choosing to file under**

Check one. (For a brief description of each, see *Notice Required by 11 U.S.C. § 342(b) for Individuals Filing for Bankruptcy* (Form 2010)). Also, go to the top of page 1 and check the appropriate box.

- ☒ Chapter 7  
☐ Chapter 11  
☐ Chapter 12  
☐ Chapter 13

**8. How you will pay the fee**

- ☒ **I will pay the entire fee when I file my petition.** Please check with the clerk's office in your local court for more details about how you may pay. Typically, if you are paying the fee yourself, you may pay with cash, cashier's check, or money order. If your attorney is submitting your payment on your behalf, your attorney may pay with a credit card or check with a pre-printed address.
- ☐ **I need to pay the fee in installments.** If you choose this option, sign and attach the *Application for Individuals to Pay The Filing Fee in Installments* (Official Form 103A).
- ☐ **I request that my fee be waived** (You may request this option only if you are filing for Chapter 7. By law, a judge may, but is not required to, waive your fee, and may do so only if your income is less than 150% of the official poverty line that applies to your family size and you are unable to pay the fee in installments). If you choose this option, you must fill out the *Application to Have the Chapter 7 Filing Fee Waived* (Official Form 103B) and file it with your petition.

**9. Have you filed for bankruptcy within the last 8 years?**

- ☒ No
- ☐ Yes. District \_\_\_\_\_ When \_\_\_\_\_ Case number \_\_\_\_\_  
MM / DD / YYYY
- District \_\_\_\_\_ When \_\_\_\_\_ Case number \_\_\_\_\_  
MM / DD / YYYY
- District \_\_\_\_\_ When \_\_\_\_\_ Case number \_\_\_\_\_  
MM / DD / YYYY

**10. Are any bankruptcy cases pending or being filed by a spouse who is not filing this case with you, or by a business partner, or by an affiliate?**

- ☒ No
- ☐ Yes. Debtor \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to you \_\_\_\_\_  
District \_\_\_\_\_ When \_\_\_\_\_ Case number, if known \_\_\_\_\_  
MM / DD / YYYY
- Debtor \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to you \_\_\_\_\_  
District \_\_\_\_\_ When \_\_\_\_\_ Case number, if known \_\_\_\_\_  
MM / DD / YYYY

**11. Do you rent your residence?**

- ☒ No. Go to line 12.
- ☐ Yes. Has your landlord obtained an eviction judgment against you?
- ☐ No. Go to line 12.
- ☐ Yes. Fill out *Initial Statement About an Eviction Judgment Against You* (Form 101A) and file it as part of this bankruptcy petition.

Debtor 1

Samir Jakupovic

First Name

Middle Name

Last Name

Case number (if known)

**Part 3: Report About Any Businesses You Own as a Sole Proprietor**

**12. Are you a sole proprietor of any full- or part-time business?**

A sole proprietorship is a business you operate as an individual, and is not a separate legal entity such as a corporation, partnership, or LLC.

If you have more than one sole proprietorship, use a separate sheet and attach it to this petition.

☒ No. Go to Part 4.

☐ Yes. Name and location of business

Name of business, if any

Number Street

City

State

ZIP Code

Check the appropriate box to describe your business:

☐ Health Care Business (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(27A))

☐ Single Asset Real Estate (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(51B))

☐ Stockbroker (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(53A))

☐ Commodity Broker (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(6))

☐ None of the above

**13. Are you filing under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code, and are you a small business debtor or a debtor as defined by 11 U.S.C. § 1182(1)?**

For a definition of *small business debtor*, see 11 U.S.C. § 101(51D).

*If you are filing under Chapter 11, the court must know whether you are a small business debtor or a debtor choosing to proceed under Subchapter V so that it can set appropriate deadlines. If you indicate that you are a small business debtor or you are choosing to proceed under Subchapter V, you must attach your most recent balance sheet, statement of operations, cash-flow statement, and federal income tax return or if any of these documents do not exist, follow the procedure in 11 U.S.C. § 1116(1)(B).*

☒ No. I am not filing under Chapter 11.

☐ No. I am filing under Chapter 11, but I am NOT a small business debtor according to the definition in the Bankruptcy Code.

☐ Yes. I am filing under Chapter 11, I am a small business debtor according to the definition in the Bankruptcy Code, and I do not choose to proceed under Subchapter V of Chapter 11.

☐ Yes. I am filing under Chapter 11, I am a debtor according to the definition in § 1182(1) of the Bankruptcy Code, and I choose to proceed under Subchapter V of Chapter 11.

Debtor 1

**Samir Jakupovic**

First Name

Middle Name

Last Name

Case number (if known)

**Part 4: Report if You Own or Have Any Hazardous Property or Any Property That Needs Immediate Attention**

14. Do you own or have any property that poses or is alleged to pose a threat of imminent and identifiable hazard to public health or safety? Or do you own any property that needs immediate attention?

*For example, do you own perishable goods, or livestock that must be fed, or a building that needs urgent repairs?*

☒ No

☐ Yes. What is the hazard?

If immediate attention is needed, why is it needed?

Where is the property?

Number

Street

City

State

ZIP Code

Debtor 1

**Samir Jakupovic**

First Name Middle Name Last Name

Case number (if known)

**Part 5: Explain Your Efforts to Receive a Briefing About Credit Counseling**

**15. Tell the court whether you have received a briefing about credit counseling.**

The law requires that you receive a briefing about credit counseling before you file for bankruptcy. You must truthfully check one of the following choices. If you cannot do so, you are not eligible to file.

If you file anyway, the court can dismiss your case, you will lose whatever filing fee you paid, and your creditors can begin collection activities again.

**About Debtor 1:**

*You must check one:*

☒ I received a briefing from an approved credit counseling agency within the 180 days before I filed this bankruptcy petition, and I received a certificate of completion.

Attach a copy of the certificate and the payment plan, if any, that you developed with the agency.

☐ I received a briefing from an approved credit counseling agency within the 180 days before I filed this bankruptcy petition, but I do not have a certificate of completion.

Within 14 days after you file this bankruptcy petition, you MUST file a copy of the certificate and payment plan, if any.

☐ I certify that I asked for credit counseling services from an approved agency, but was unable to obtain those services during the 7 days after I made my request, and exigent circumstances merit a 30-day temporary waiver of the requirement.

To ask for a 30-day temporary waiver of the requirement, attach a separate sheet explaining what efforts you made to obtain the briefing, why you were unable to obtain it before you filed for bankruptcy, and what exigent circumstances required you to file this case.

Your case may be dismissed if the court is dissatisfied with your reasons for not receiving a briefing before you filed for bankruptcy.

If the court is satisfied with your reasons, you must still receive a briefing within 30 days after you file. You must file a certificate from the approved agency, along with a copy of the payment plan you developed, if any. If you do not do so, your case may be dismissed.

Any extension of the 30-day deadline is granted only for cause and is limited to a maximum of 15 days.

☐ I am not required to receive a briefing about credit counseling because of:

☐ **Incapacity.** I have a mental illness or a mental deficiency that makes me incapable of realizing or making rational decisions about finances.

☐ **Disability.** My physical disability causes me to be unable to participate in a briefing in person, by phone, or through the Internet, even after I reasonably tried to do so.

☐ **Active duty.** I am currently on active military duty in a military combat zone.

If you believe you are not required to receive a briefing about credit counseling, you must file a motion for waiver of credit counseling with the court.

**About Debtor 2 (Spouse Only in a Joint Case):**

*You must check one:*

☐ I received a briefing from an approved credit counseling agency within the 180 days before I filed this bankruptcy petition, and I received a certificate of completion.

Attach a copy of the certificate and the payment plan, if any, that you developed with the agency.

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Debtor 1

Samir Jakupovic

First Name

Middle Name

Last Name

Case number (if known)

**Part 6: Answer These Questions for Reporting Purposes**

16. What kind of debts do you have?

16a. Are your debts primarily consumer debts? Consumer debts are defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(8) as "incurred by an individual primarily for a personal, family, or household purpose."

- ☐ No. Go to line 16b.  
☒ Yes. Go to line 17.

16b. Are your debts primarily business debts? Business debts are debts that you incurred to obtain money for a business or investment or through the operation of the business or investment.

- ☐ No. Go to line 16c.  
☐ Yes. Go to line 17.

16c. State the type of debts you owe that are not consumer debts or business debts.

17. Are you filing under Chapter 7?

☐ No. I am not filing under Chapter 7. Go to line 18.

Do you estimate that after any exempt property is excluded and administrative expenses are paid that funds will be available for distribution to unsecured creditors?

- ☒ Yes. I am filing under Chapter 7. Do you estimate that after any exempt property is excluded and administrative expenses are paid that funds will be available to distribute to unsecured creditors?  
☒ No  
☐ Yes

18. How many creditors do you estimate that you owe?

- |   |  |  |
|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1-49             | <input type="checkbox"/> 1,000-5,000   | <input type="checkbox"/> 25,001-50,000     |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 50-99 | <input type="checkbox"/> 5,001-10,000  | <input type="checkbox"/> 50,001-100,000    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 100-199          | <input type="checkbox"/> 10,001-25,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> More than 100,000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 200-999          |  |  |

19. How much do you estimate your assets to be worth?

- |  |  |  |
|--|--|--|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$0-\$50,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$1,000,001-\$10 million    | <input type="checkbox"/> \$500,000,001-\$1 billion     |
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20. How much do you estimate your liabilities to be?

- |  |   |  |
|--|---|--|
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**Part 7: Sign Below**

For you

I have examined this petition, and I declare under penalty of perjury that the information provided is true and correct.

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X /s/Samir Jakupovic

Signature of Debtor 1

Executed on 11/13/2023

MM / DD / YYYY

X

Signature of Debtor 2

Executed on

MM / DD / YYYY

Debtor 1 Samir Jakupovic  
First Name Middle Name Last Name

Case number (if known) \_\_\_\_\_

**For your attorney, if you are represented by one**

**If you are not represented by an attorney, you do not need to file this page.**

I, the attorney for the debtor(s) named in this petition, declare that I have informed the debtor(s) about eligibility to proceed under Chapter 7, 11, 12, or 13 of title 11, United States Code, and have explained the relief available under each chapter for which the person is eligible. I also certify that I have delivered to the debtor(s) the notice required by 11 U.S.C. § 342(b) and, in a case in which § 707(b)(4)(D) applies, certify that I have no knowledge after an inquiry that the information in the schedules filed with the petition is incorrect.

**X** /s/Anthony J. Peraica Date 11/13/2023  
Signature of Attorney for Debtor MM / DD / YYYY

Anthony J. Peraica  
Printed name

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Bar number State



Debtor 1 Samir Jakupovic

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Signature of Debtor 1

Executed on

11/13/2023  
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Signature of Debtor 2

Executed on

MM / DD / YYYY

## Notice Required by 11 U.S.C. § 342(b) for Individuals Filing for Bankruptcy (Form 2010)

### This notice is for you if:

You are an individual filing for bankruptcy,  
and

Your debts are primarily consumer debts.  
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§ 101(8) as "incurred by an individual  
primarily for a personal, family, or  
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### The types of bankruptcy that are available to individuals

Individuals who meet the qualifications may file  
under one of four different chapters of the  
Bankruptcy Code:

- Chapter 7 — Liquidation
- Chapter 11— Reorganization
- Chapter 12— Voluntary repayment plan  
for family farmers or  
fishermen
- Chapter 13— Voluntary repayment plan  
for individuals with regular  
income

You should have an attorney review your  
decision to file for bankruptcy and the choice of  
chapter.

### Chapter 7: Liquidation

|   |       |                    |
|---|-------|--------------------|
|   | \$245 | filing fee         |
|   | \$78  | administrative fee |
| + | \$15  | trustee surcharge  |
|   | \$338 | total fee          |

Chapter 7 is for individuals who have financial  
difficulty preventing them from paying their  
debts and who are willing to allow their non-  
exempt property to be used to pay their  
creditors. The primary purpose of filing under  
chapter 7 is to have your debts discharged. The  
bankruptcy discharge relieves you after  
bankruptcy from having to pay many of your  
pre-bankruptcy debts. Exceptions exist for  
particular debts, and liens on property may still  
be enforced after discharge. For example, a  
creditor may have the right to foreclose a home  
mortgage or repossess an automobile.

However, if the court finds that you have  
committed certain kinds of improper conduct  
described in the Bankruptcy Code, the court  
may deny your discharge.

You should know that even if you file  
chapter 7 and you receive a discharge, some  
debts are not discharged under the law.  
Therefore, you may still be responsible to pay:

- most taxes;
- most student loans;
- domestic support and property settlement  
obligations;

- most fines, penalties, forfeitures, and criminal restitution obligations; and
- certain debts that are not listed in your bankruptcy papers.

You may also be required to pay debts arising from:

- fraud or theft;
- fraud or defalcation while acting in breach of fiduciary capacity;
- intentional injuries that you inflicted; and
- death or personal injury caused by operating a motor vehicle, vessel, or aircraft while intoxicated from alcohol or drugs.

If your debts are primarily consumer debts, the court can dismiss your chapter 7 case if it finds that you have enough income to repay creditors a certain amount. You must file *Chapter 7 Statement of Your Current Monthly Income* (Official Form 122A-1) if you are an individual filing for bankruptcy under chapter 7. This form will determine your current monthly income and compare whether your income is more than the median income that applies in your state.

If your income is not above the median for your state, you will not have to complete the other chapter 7 form, the *Chapter 7 Means Test Calculation* (Official Form 122A-2).

If your income is above the median for your state, you must file a second form—the *Chapter 7 Means Test Calculation* (Official Form 122A-2). The calculations on the form—sometimes called the *Means Test*—deduct from your income living expenses and payments on certain debts to determine any amount available to pay unsecured creditors. If

your income is more than the median income for your state of residence and family size, depending on the results of the *Means Test*, the U.S. trustee, bankruptcy administrator, or creditors can file a motion to dismiss your case under § 707(b) of the Bankruptcy Code. If a motion is filed, the court will decide if your case should be dismissed. To avoid dismissal, you may choose to proceed under another chapter of the Bankruptcy Code.

If you are an individual filing for chapter 7 bankruptcy, the trustee may sell your property to pay your debts, subject to your right to exempt the property or a portion of the proceeds from the sale of the property. The property, and the proceeds from property that your bankruptcy trustee sells or liquidates that you are entitled to, is called *exempt property*. Exemptions may enable you to keep your home, a car, clothing, and household items or to receive some of the proceeds if the property is sold.

Exemptions are not automatic. To exempt property, you must list it on *Schedule C: The Property You Claim as Exempt* (Official Form 106C). If you do not list the property, the trustee may sell it and pay all of the proceeds to your creditors.

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## Chapter 11: Reorganization

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|   |         |                    |
|---|---------|--------------------|
|   | \$1,167 | filing fee         |
| + | \$571   | administrative fee |
|   | \$1,738 | total fee          |

Chapter 11 is often used for reorganizing a business, but is also available to individuals. The provisions of chapter 11 are too complicated to summarize briefly.

### Read These Important Warnings

Because bankruptcy can have serious long-term financial and legal consequences, including loss of your property, you should hire an attorney and carefully consider all of your options before you file. Only an attorney can give you legal advice about what can happen as a result of filing for bankruptcy and what your options are. If you do file for bankruptcy, an attorney can help you fill out the forms properly and protect you, your family, your home, and your possessions.

Although the law allows you to represent yourself in bankruptcy court, you should understand that many people find it difficult to represent themselves successfully. The rules are technical, and a mistake or inaction may harm you. If you file without an attorney, you are still responsible for knowing and following all of the legal requirements.

You should not file for bankruptcy if you are not eligible to file or if you do not intend to file the necessary documents.

Bankruptcy fraud is a serious crime; you could be fined and imprisoned if you commit fraud in your bankruptcy case. Making a false statement, concealing property, or obtaining money or property by fraud in connection with a bankruptcy case can result in fines up to \$250,000, or imprisonment for up to 20 years, or both. 18 U.S.C. §§ 152, 1341, 1519, and 3571.

#### Chapter 12: Repayment plan for family farmers or fishermen

|   |       |                           |
|---|-------|---------------------------|
|   | \$200 | filing fee                |
| + | \$78  | <u>administrative fee</u> |
|   | \$278 | total fee                 |

Similar to chapter 13, chapter 12 permits family farmers and fishermen to repay their debts over a period of time using future earnings and to discharge some debts that are not paid.

#### Chapter 13: Repayment plan for individuals with regular income

|   |       |                           |
|---|-------|---------------------------|
|   | \$235 | filing fee                |
| + | \$78  | <u>administrative fee</u> |
|   | \$313 | total fee                 |

Chapter 13 is for individuals who have regular income and would like to pay all or part of their debts in installments over a period of time and to discharge some debts that are not paid. You are eligible for chapter 13 only if your debts are not more than certain dollar amounts set forth in 11 U.S.C. § 109.

Under chapter 13, you must file with the court a plan to repay your creditors all or part of the money that you owe them, usually using your future earnings. If the court approves your plan, the court will allow you to repay your debts, as adjusted by the plan, within 3 years or 5 years, depending on your income and other factors.

After you make all the payments under your plan, many of your debts are discharged. The debts that are not discharged and that you may still be responsible to pay include:

- domestic support obligations,
- most student loans,
- certain taxes,
- debts for fraud or theft,
- debts for fraud or defalcation while acting in a fiduciary capacity,
- most criminal fines and restitution obligations,
- certain debts that are not listed in your bankruptcy papers,
- certain debts for acts that caused death or personal injury, and
- certain long-term secured debts.

### **Warning: File Your Forms on Time**

Section 521(a)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code requires that you promptly file detailed information about your creditors, assets, liabilities, income, expenses and general financial condition. The court may dismiss your bankruptcy case if you do not file this information within the deadlines set by the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, and the local rules of the court.

For more information about the documents and their deadlines, go to:

<http://www.uscourts.gov/forms/bankruptcy-forms>

### **Bankruptcy crimes have serious consequences**

- If you knowingly and fraudulently conceal assets or make a false oath or statement under penalty of perjury—either orally or in writing—in connection with a bankruptcy case, you may be fined, imprisoned, or both.
- All information you supply in connection with a bankruptcy case is subject to examination by the Attorney General acting through the Office of the U.S. Trustee, the Office of the U.S. Attorney, and other offices and employees of the U.S. Department of Justice.

### **Make sure the court has your mailing address**

The bankruptcy court sends notices to the mailing address you list on *Voluntary Petition for Individuals Filing for Bankruptcy* (Official Form 101). To ensure that you receive information about your case, Bankruptcy Rule 4002 requires that you notify the court of any changes in your address.

A married couple may file a bankruptcy case together—called a *joint case*. If you file a joint case and each spouse lists the same mailing address on the bankruptcy petition, the bankruptcy court generally will mail you and your spouse one copy of each notice, unless you file a statement with the court asking that each spouse receive separate copies.

### **Understand which services you could receive from credit counseling agencies**

The law generally requires that you receive a credit counseling briefing from an approved credit counseling agency. 11 U.S.C. § 109(h). If you are filing a joint case, both spouses must receive the briefing. With limited exceptions, you must receive it within the 180 days **before** you file your bankruptcy petition. This briefing is usually conducted by telephone or on the Internet.

In addition, after filing a bankruptcy case, you generally must complete a financial management instructional course before you can receive a discharge. If you are filing a joint case, both spouses must complete the course.

You can obtain the list of agencies approved to provide both the briefing and the instructional course from: <http://www.uscourts.gov/services-forms/bankruptcy/credit-counseling-and-debtor-education-courses>.

In Alabama and North Carolina, go to: <http://www.uscourts.gov/services-forms/bankruptcy/credit-counseling-and-debtor-education-courses>.

If you do not have access to a computer, the clerk of the bankruptcy court may be able to help you obtain the list.

Fill in this information to identify your case:

Debtor 1 Samir Jakupovic  
First Name Middle Name Last Name

Debtor 2  
(Spouse, if filing) First Name Middle Name Last Name

United States Bankruptcy Court for the: Northern District of Illinois

Case number  
(if known) \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Check if this is an amended filing

Official Form 108

Statement of Intention for Individuals Filing Under Chapter 7

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If you are an individual filing under chapter 7, you must fill out this form if:

- creditors have claims secured by your property, or
- you have leased personal property and the lease has not expired.

You must file this form with the court within 30 days after you file your bankruptcy petition or by the date set for the meeting of creditors, whichever is earlier, unless the court extends the time for cause. You must also send copies to the creditors and lessors you list on the form.

If two married people are filing together in a joint case, both are equally responsible for supplying correct information.

Both debtors must sign and date the form.

Be as complete and accurate as possible. If more space is needed, attach a separate sheet to this form. On the top of any additional pages, write your name and case number (if known).

Part 1: List Your Creditors Who Have Secured Claims

1. For any creditors that you listed in Part 1 of Schedule D: Creditors Who Have Claims Secured by Property (Official Form 106D), fill in the information below.

Identify the creditor and the property that is collateral

What do you intend to do with the property that secures a debt?

Did you claim the property as exempt on Schedule C?

Creditor's name: Ally Financial

Description of property securing debt: 2021 Mercedes G-Class motor vehicle, 25K miles, very good condition

☐ Surrender the property.

☐ Retain the property and redeem it.

☒ Retain the property and enter into a *Reaffirmation Agreement*.

☐ Retain the property and [explain]: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ No

☒ Yes

Creditor's name:

Description of property securing debt:

☐ Surrender the property.

☐ Retain the property and redeem it.

☐ Retain the property and enter into a *Reaffirmation Agreement*.

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☐ No

☐ Yes

Creditor's name:

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☐ No

☐ Yes

Debtor 1

Samir Jakupovic

First Name Middle Name Last Name

Case number (if known)

**Part 2: List Your Unexpired Personal Property Leases**

For any unexpired personal property lease that you listed in *Schedule G: Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases* (Official Form 106G), fill in the information below. Do not list real estate leases. *Unexpired leases* are leases that are still in effect; the lease period has not yet ended. You may assume an unexpired personal property lease if the trustee does not assume it. 11 U.S.C. § 365(p)(2).

Describe your unexpired personal property leases

Will the lease be assumed?

Lessor's name:

☐ No

Description of leased property:

☐ Yes

Lessor's name:

☐ No

Description of leased property:

☐ Yes

Lessor's name:

☐ No

Description of leased property:

☐ Yes

Lessor's name:

☐ No

Description of leased property:

☐ Yes

Lessor's name:

☐ No

Description of leased property:

☐ Yes

Lessor's name:

☐ No

Description of leased property:

☐ Yes

Lessor's name:

☐ No

Description of leased property:

☐ Yes

**Part 3: Sign Below**

Under penalty of perjury, I declare that I have indicated my intention about any property of my estate that secures a debt and any personal property that is subject to an unexpired lease.

X Samir Jakupovic

Signature of Debtor 1

X

Signature of Debtor 2

Date 11/13/2023

MM / DD / YYYY

Date

MM / DD / YYYY



Debtor 1 Samir Jakupovic  
First Name Middle Name Last Name

Case number (if known) \_\_\_\_\_

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☐ No

Description of leased property:

☐ Yes

Lessor's name:

☐ No

Description of leased property:

☐ Yes

Lessor's name:

☐ No

Description of leased property:

☐ Yes

Lessor's name:


☐ No

Description of leased property:

☐ Yes

**Part 3: Sign Below**

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x 

Signature of Debtor 1

Date 11/13/2023

MM / DD / YYYY

x \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Debtor 2

Date \_\_\_\_\_  
MM / DD / YYYY



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## United States Bankruptcy Court

Northern District Of Illinois

In re

Samir Jakupovic

Case No. \_\_\_\_\_

Debtor

Chapter 7

### DISCLOSURE OF COMPENSATION OF ATTORNEY FOR DEBTOR

1. Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 329(a) and Fed. Bankr. P. 2016(b), I certify that I am the attorney for the above named debtor(s) and that compensation paid to me within one year before the filing of the petition in bankruptcy, or agreed to be paid to me, for services rendered or to be rendered on behalf of the debtor(s) in contemplation of or in connection with the bankruptcy case is as follows:

For legal services, I have agreed to accept ..... \$ 10,000.00

Prior to the filing of this statement I have received ..... \$ 10,000.00

Balance Due ..... \$ 0.00

2. The source of the compensation paid to me was:

☒ Debtor ☐ Other (specify)

3. The source of compensation to be paid to me is:

☒ Debtor ☐ Other (specify)

4. ☒ I have not agreed to share the above-disclosed compensation with any other person unless they are members and associates of my law firm.

☐ I have agreed to share the above-disclosed compensation with a other person or persons who are not members or associates of my law firm. A copy of the agreement, together with a list of the names of the people sharing in the compensation, is attached.

5. In return for the above-disclosed fee, I have agreed to render legal service for all aspects of the bankruptcy case, including:

- a. Analysis of the debtor's financial situation, and rendering advice to the debtor in determining whether to file a petition in bankruptcy;
- b. Preparation and filing of any petition, schedules, statements of affairs and plan which may be required;
- c. Representation of the debtor at the meeting of creditors and confirmation hearing, and any adjourned hearings thereof;

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- d. Representation of the debtor in adversary proceedings and other contested bankruptcy matters;
- e. [Other provisions as needed]

6. By agreement with the debtor(s), the above-disclosed fee does not include the following services:

- A. Representation at continued Section 341 Meetings
- B. Representation in Adversary Proceedings
- C. Representation at Section 2004 Examinations
- D. Representation for negotiations preparation of and hearings for Reaffirmation Agreements

CERTIFICATION

I certify that the foregoing is a complete statement of any agreement or arrangement for payment to me for representation of the debtor(s) in this bankruptcy proceeding.

November 13, 2023  
Date

/s/Anthony J. Peraica  
Signature of Attorney

Anthony J. Peraica & Associates, Ltd.  
Name of law firm

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**CHAPTER 7 BANKRUPTCY RETAINER AGREEMENT**

The undersigned ("Client") hereby retain(s) the Law Offices of Anthony J. Peraica & Associates, Ltd. ("Attorney") as attorneys for representation in a Chapter 7 bankruptcy under the following terms and conditions. The Law Offices of Anthony J. Peraica & Associates, Ltd. has informed the undersigned of the procedures involved in the matter described below:

1. Attorney fees for the Chapter 7 bankruptcy are \$ 10,000.-. This amount does not include court filing fees, or costs for credit counseling or financial management classes. This fee includes all work in the representation in my Chapter 7, but does not include missed 341 meetings, amendments to schedules, motions to dismiss filed by the U.S. Trustee, or any other evidentiary hearings, contested matters or adversary proceedings. It is clearly understood by the undersigned that, should additional work be necessary, requested and/or performed other than that set forth herein, or usually or customarily required for such matters, additional fees or costs may be billed to the Client(s).
2. Payments above are for General Advance Retainer and are deposited into the firm's operating account. Client(s) will be billed for work on an hourly basis. Attorney will charge at the rate of \$475.00 per hour for Anthony J. Peraica and \$325.00 per hour for all other associate attorneys for all work, including depositions, court time and non-court time. To save Client(s) money, Attorney employs paralegals and secretaries to provide basic legal services. Client agrees to pay paralegal services at the rate of \$175.00 per hour, and secretarial services at the rate of \$95.00 per hour. Client(s) further agree(s) to pay an additional fee of \$250.00 for each Reaffirmation Agreement accepted by the debtor and entered in the bankruptcy proceeding, if a hearing is required. Any continued hearing will result in a \$250.00 fee to be paid prior to the continued date.
3. If Client(s) has secured debts that he/she/they wish to retain (mortgages, financed vehicles or other financed property), Client(s) may be required to sign a Reaffirmation Agreement with the creditor in order to keep the property. Client(s) must remain current on his/her/their payments.
4. Client(s) has/have been advised that upon execution of this retainer agreement, client(s) should cease from using or obtaining any credit or credit cards.
5. Client(s) understand(s) that he/she/they will be billed for all amounts due for fees and costs advanced on his/her/their file. These amounts are due in full at the time of execution of the documents. Balances not paid by the tenth (10th) business day after the date(s) on invoices/bills may be subject to an interest at the rate of 1.5% per month.
6. Client(s) understand(s) that if he/she/they fail(s) to take his/her/their financial management class after filing but before discharge, his/her/their case may be closed without discharge, and he/she/they will be required to pay fees and costs to have the case reopened.
7. Any balance owed by Client(s) for Attorney's fees and costs will be paid before the proceedings are concluded. Attorney cannot guarantee results and cannot predict a maximum charge. The final bill will be based solely on the time spent and the costs advanced.

8. The Law Offices of Anthony J. Peraica & Associates, Ltd. has no obligation to perform any services other than specifically stated above and Client(s) agree(s) to prepay all costs, including but not limited to those listed above.

9. Client(s) acknowledge(s) that no guarantees or promises have been made and the Law Offices of Anthony J. Peraica & Associates, Ltd.'s sole obligation is to provide the aforementioned legal services in a professional and efficient manner. Down payments/initial retainers are absolutely not refundable.

Dated this 15 day of MAY, 2023

CLIENT(S)

*Jakubovic*

ANTHONY J. PERAICA & ASSOCIATES, LTD.

*[Signature]*

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